

ODDITIES



CURIOUS NATURE

- After working as a Veterinary Technician for 10 years, Mason quit his job and opened the doors to Curious Nature. Mason was always fascinated by natural history and prides himself on selecting items that reflect his passion.
- Mason picks both locally and abroad. He is connected with local zoos, animal experts, and scientists who call upon him whenever they come across something intriguing.
- The shop has an ever-rotating selection of oddities, including preserved octopi in jars, taxidermy ducklings, an antique prosthetic arm, freeze dried bats, and a bisected pig heart. There's a giant glass cabinet filled with animal skulls and other trinkets like deer feet, mounted insects, occult items, wet specimens, anatomical art, and antique medical equipment.
- Heather is Mason's right hand in the shop and store manager. She has an insatiable curiosity and is always sharing her knowledge with customers.
- Hunter and Daniel on Mason's staff handle customer relations and educating folks on the items in the shop. Hunter started collecting obscure items when she was 14 and it's a dream come true for her to be working at the shop. Daniel is the "new guy" and will be learning a lot on the fly.
- When Mason needs something to be refurbished, he brings it to Doug and Suzi. They're his go-to for restoration and all things taxidermy.

SHOP STATS

- Phoenix, AZ c. 2014
- Mason (35) Owner
Doug & Suzie (55) Taxidermists & Basic Restoration
Hunter (27) Sales Guru
Heather (23) Right-Hand Woman
Daniel (31) Newbie
- 20+ customers per day
- Most valuable item: \$4,000.
- Notable clients: collectors, schools, and museums.